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PETER SHOEMAKER IS SHOW. ING AT THE OAKLAND JEW-ISH COMMUNITY CENTER.

ARISTS COOPERATIVE FEATURING PAINTINGS BY SAN FRANCISCO HAS SYD FOSSUM.

A TWO-MAN SHOW AT STAEMPFLI GALLERY IN NEW YORK HAS SHOWN WORKS BY JOAN BROWN.

THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS IS SPON -SORING AN EXHIBITION OF WORKS BY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN SAN SCHOOL STUDENTS IN SAN FRANCISCO FROM APRIL 25 THROUGH MAY 1.

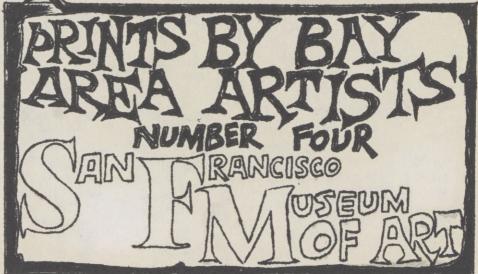
"IMPROVISATION IN SOUND" WILL BE PRESENTED FRI-DAY, MAY 6, AT THIS SCHOOL AT 8:00 P.M. THERE WILL BE DEMONSTRATIONS USING TAPES AND LIVE SOUNDS. ADMISSION IS FREE.

EVELYN KANE IS PAR-TICIPATING IN A "LEADING-WESTERN WOMEN PAINT-ERS EXHIBIT" AT THE SAN-TA MONICA LIBRARY GAL-LERY IN MAY.

ROLF EISELIN HAS HAD AN ENTRY ACCEPTED IN THE CURRENT EXHIBITION AT THE CONNECTICUT ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS.

NATHAN OLIVEIRA,
GEORGE MIYASAKI, DENNIS
BEALL, AND RICHARD GRAF
ARE EXHIBITING PRINTS AT
THE SAN FRANCISCO MIN
SEUM OF ART THROUGH MAY 15 LOU SCHULTZ





# ANOTHER AFTER THE OTHER

REMEMBER A SERIOUS YOUNG GIRL AS SHE LAUGHED, EAGER ON THE SHORE, AND CAST HER BEST STONE AT THE SUN.

IT ROSE CLIMBING ABOVE THE COLD WATER, CAME TO IT'S CREST, AND FELL FAR FROM THE RADIANT FERVOR.

A GUSH OF JAGGED SILVER RETURNS TO THE SHATTER OF A REFLECTED CLOUD.

FLICKERING, WHITE FRAGMENTS RACE TOGETHER, AND DISAPPEAR INTO THE SILENT MIRROR.

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NIGHT NEEDS A FIRE
FOR INNER WARMTH.
WHY DOES THE DOOR OPEN
ONLY TO THE SAME GHOST?
MUST WE LOOK INWARD AGAIN?

DONALD CHARPENTIER

We are not alone

Except in our own aloneness...
In our need.

We came for no purpose And achieve no end ... But death.

Our claim to lifes candle ... That light of dreams and hope ... Is brief ...

Only a momentary fluttering Of moth wings in the eternity That smothers us... Mercifully.

J.W.M.

ON THE OTHER SIDE
WHERE THERE IS NOTHING
HAVE WALKED
MANY TIMES
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# PRAYER

WIND THAT BLOWS AND HOWLS THROUGH MY BODY PASS WHILE I BREATH A PRAYER FOR THE COUNTLESS DAYS THAT RIGHT YOUR TREADS INTO INFINITY

FLOW WITHOUT CONCERN OF MY SHADOW
THAT REECHOES THE PASSING MOMENT
LINGER UNTIL THE ETERNAL NIGHT
FULLFILLS THE MERCY OF SLEEP

TAKE MY FORM IN YOUR INVISIBILITY
AND PASS EASY THE SOLITARY MAN
AS HE CREEPS COUNTING STEPS
THROUGH WINDING ROADS BY THE SEAS
CROWDED WITH MARCHING WAVES

TOUCH THE LEAVES THAT HAVE FALLEN CRISPY IN COLORED HEAT SWAY THE GIANT TREES FOR A MOMENT OF GLADNESS THAT THEY TOO MAY BOW TO THE LONELY PASSING CLOUDS WHO CARRY LIFE GIVING TEARS AS THEY STAND ROOTED AND DYING SHEDDING LEAVES AND SEEDS

FILTER THE RAYS OF THE BURNING STAR TO GIVE COLORS TO FLOWERS SCATTER THE FLAMES OF MY JOY THAT FORMS RIPPLES IN YOUR WAKE

LEON H. SARSOZO

SPEAK NOW...

OH, SPEAK NOW

BEFORE THIS FLEETING MOMENT IS LOST...

BEFORE WE TWO ARE HURLED APART

BY THE RESTLESS WINDS.

REACH OUT ...

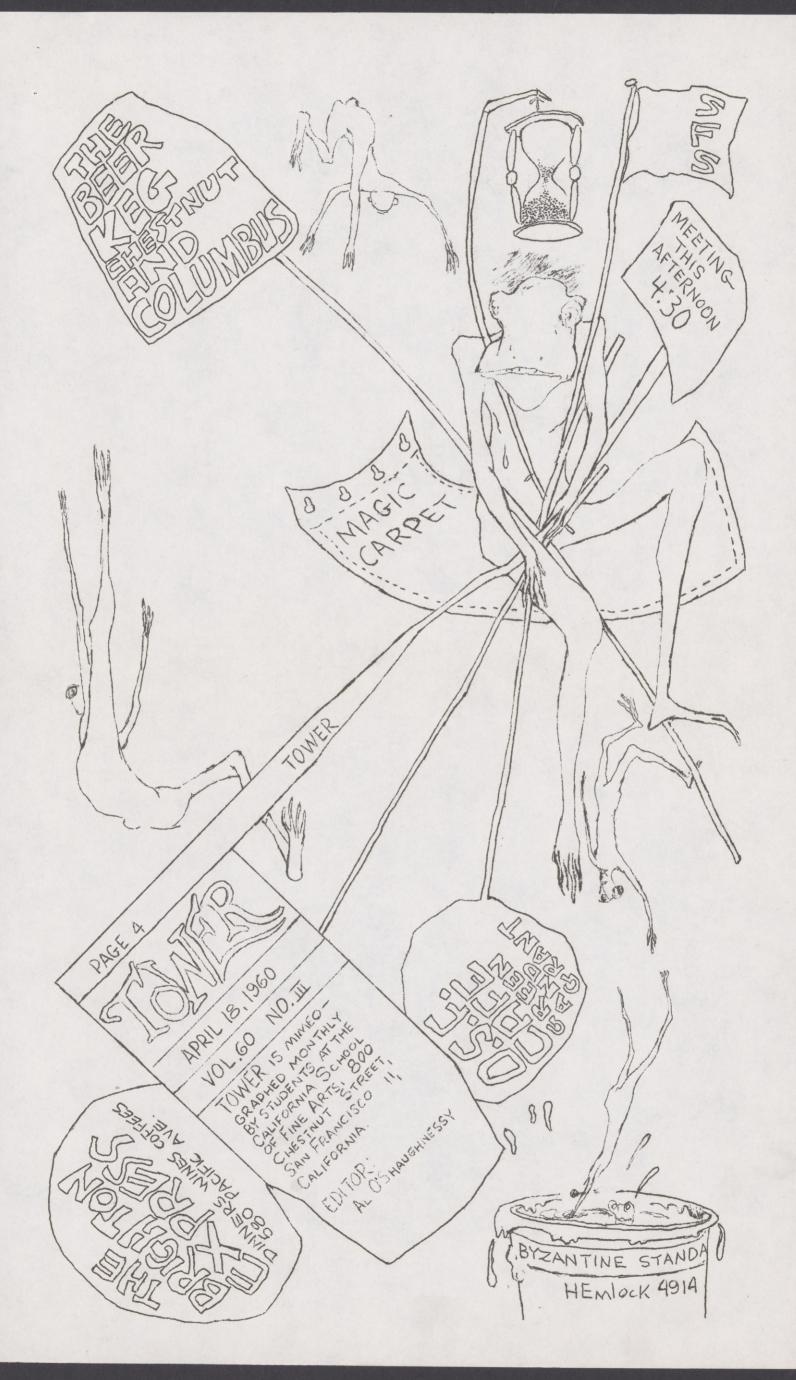
OH, REACH OUT NOW

AND TAKE MY OFFERED HAND

BEFORE ITS PRECIOUS WARMTH IS LOST ...

BEFORE IT TURNS TO STONE UPON MY ARM.

YOUR VOICE ...
YOUR HAND IN MINE PRESSED TIGHT
J.W.M.



Charley's Endless Parable of the Frogs....

"OH SHUT UP CHARLEY, STOP SNIVELING. I DID NOT KILL
YOUR FROG." THE OTHER CHILDREN WENT RUNNING OFF INTO THE BUSHES,
SHOUTING "PEE PEE PEE FROG PEE." BUD PULLED AT CHARLEY, TO GET
HIM OUT OF THE ROAD, TO KEEP HIM FROM GETTING CRUSHED
LIKE THE FROG. CHARLEY, YOU KNOW CHARLEY, YOU STEPPED ON IT
YOUR OWN SELF. "CHARLEY RESPONDED WITH MORE SOBS AS BUD
LED HIM AWAY INTO THE HIGH GRASS WHERE HE FLUNG HIMSELF
DOWN, STILL SOBBING." I TELL YOU CHARLEY, A CAR KILLED IT.
LOOK, I'LL LIFT UP YOUR HEAD — LOOK, IT CAME FROM RIGHT THERE.
THAT CURVE, RIGHT BEYOND THE BUSHES — THAT'S WHERE YOUR
DAMNED FROG CAME FROM."

CHARLEY STOOD TO LISTEN TO THE VOICES OF THE FROGS, RISING FROM THE POND DOWN BEHIND THE BUSHES, AND TO THE SHRIEKS OF PEE PEE- FROG, PEE, COMING FROM THE CHILDREN WHO WERE CERTAINLY BY NOW RUNNING AROUND THE POND AGAIN, TRYING TO CATCH MORE FROGS AND ENJOY THE SIGHT OF THEM BEING CRUSHED BETWEEN FLAT ROCKS. BUT CHARLEY WAS MUCH TOO SENSITIVE TO ENJOY THE SIGHT OF THE FROGS BEING CRUSHED TILL THEY TRICKLED GREEN. TURNING HIS BACK ON THE FUN, HE FELT HIMSELF BEING SWEPT AWAY BY THAT OLD CREATIVE MANIA, SO BEAUTIFULLY DISCIPLINED BY THE ACADEM-IC RIGORS OF A NEARBY ART SCHOOL . UN REACHING A QUIET PLACE, WHERE AT LAST THE CRIES FROM THE POND WERE HUSHED, HE SPREAD AN OLD CRUMBLED COOKIE-BOX ON A FLAT ROCK, SMOOTHED AWAY THE WRINKEES AND LET HIS PENCIL TRACE A STORY WHICH HAD BEEN GROWING FOR WEEKS UNDER THE DARK LOAM OF HIS MIND. OH, THAT LOVELY GREEN SHOOT! SOON IT WOULD GROW HIGH AND STRONG INTO ANOTHER EXQUISITE STORY FOR THE TOWER. HIS PENCIL RUSHED ALONG, AND THE STORY, LIKE THE VOICES OF THE FROGS, ROSE UP FROM MORTALITY. FINNISHED AT LAST, HE READ WHAT HE HAD CREAT-ED ON THE CARDBOARD: "OH SHUT UP CHARLEY, STOP SNIVELING. | DID NOT KILL YOUR FROG." THE OTHER CHILDREN WENT RUNNING OFF INTO THE BUSHES, SHOUTING "PEE PEE PEE-FROG, PEE ....

(VOLUNTEER FROM BERKELEY)

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HAVE YOU SEEN HIM? MY SON. DID HE PASS THIS WAY ?

HOW BENT WAS HE BENEATH THE RESISTING WEIGHT OF THE MAN-MADE, TORTURING BEAMS OF ROUGHENED, ROTTING WOOD

HOW DEEP RAN HIS BLOOD ALONG THE STONES THAT TRIPPED HIM UP. AND INTO THE GULLIED SHADOWS WHERE THE HEART HID FROM SUCH A GHASTLY PARADE ?

AND WAS HIS SWEET, VIRGIN KISSED, UNFURROWED BROW MARKED, DEEP AND RED, BY THE POISON CARESS OF THORNS; THE UNSIGHTLY CROWN OF PAIN, HE WORE?

DID HIS EYES FALTER IN THEIR GLANCE ? THAT PIERCING SWORD OF KNOWLEDGE, SO HARD SOUGHT --AND SO HARD HELD AGAINST GREAT OVER-WHELMING DOUGHT. DID HIS GLANCE FALTER ?

AND DID YOU HELP HIM UP, WHEN FIRST HE FALTERED IN HIS STEP AND FELL -CRUSHED AND ALONE
BENEATH THE CROSSED TIMBERS
OF HIS DOOM?

DID YOU FEEL THE WEIGHT UPON HIS LACERATED SHOULDERS OF THOSE TIMBERS, FASHIONED FROM THE TALL AND GLORIOUS TREES \_\_ ROUGH HEWN BY TRAITORS INTO CRUDE INSTRUMENTS OF SUCH A DEATH?

DID YOU HEAR THE WOMEN CRY, THE HARLOT'S ANGUISHED SOB, AS TEARS RAN IS SILVER STREAMS FROM ONCE TRUSTING EYES ? STRONG, BELIEVING MEN WEPT UNASHAMED. DID YOU HEAR THEIR SORROW?

AND DID YOU SEE, OR COULD YOU LOOK UPON HIS TENDER, SO-LOVED BODY, STRUNG HIGH UPON THE BLOODY DEATHS HILL? HIS STRONG COMFORTING HANDS PIERCED AND BLEEDING FROM THE : COLD, IRON NAILS ?

DID YOU WATCH THOSE FINAL HOURS? HEAR HIM CRY AND HAND ON EACH WORD ? DID YOU FEEL HIS STRENGTH AND PAIN? HIS FORGIVENESS AND MERCY AS HE SHUDDERED THERE AND DIED?

I COULD NOT BEAR TO SEE HIM SO. THIS BODY OF MY BODY, THAT SPRANG SO EAGERLY FROM MY TRUSTING, COMFORTING WOMB. (CONTINUED NEXT PAGE)

THIS FAIR AND RADIANT FACT ONCE PRESSED IN NEED AGAINST MY FLOWING BREAST FOR SUSTENANCE -NOW COLD AN TWISTED WITH A MASK OF DEATH.

COULD NOT LOOK UPON THE TOMB
WHEREIN HE LAY
WRAPPED IN SOFT, WHITE LINEN NO LONGER WHITE,
AS HIS ACCUSING BLOOD
SEEPED THROUGH THE LAYERS OF COVERING CLOTH.

MY HEARTBESIDE HIM IN THE TOMB
SHALL LIE-QUIETEDAND SHALL FEEL NO PAIN OF LOSS.
FOR WITH THIS PASSING-WITH THIS BETRAYED, INIQUITOUS DEATHI LIVE NO MORE.

IF ONLY I COULD LAY THIS

COLD AND NOW UNFEELING BODY
THIS BODY ONCE SO FILLED WITH WONDER

AT THIS COMING AND BIRTH
SO EXHAUSTED AT HIS LIFE-GIVING, AT HIS FEET

AND REST WITH HIM IN THE TOMB,

TRUSTING.

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I HEARD THE PROPHET'S VOICES FROM BEFORE, AND KNEW THEIR MESSAGE -AND SAY THEIR WORDS INCARNATE IN HIS BIRTH.

KNOWING- AND NOT- KNOWING-I HELD HIM CLOSE UPON ME, KISSED HIS SWEET LIPS, AND GLORIED IN THE JOY OF THE LOAN. A MOTHER'S PANGS OF SHARED PAID AND FEAR WERE MY TREASURE.

BUT, SO SOON HE WAS TORN FROM MY ACHING ARMS
AND LED AMONG CURSES, HATE, STONES AND JEALOUS FEAR
TO HIS PRE-DESTINED FATE
UPON THAT CURSED HILL OF DEATH.

OH, GREAT POWER ABOVE -WHO LOANED ME SUCH JOY - AND FAITH -DRY UP THESE SOBBING, FAILING EYES. TEAR OUT THIS TRUSTING, BURNING HEART AND STILL ITS SORROWING.

IN YOUR UNDOUGHTED WISDOM
YOU HAVE DONE SO.
IN YOUR GREAT KNOWLEDGE AND LOVE
YOU HAVEGIVEN -AND HAVE TAKEN AWAY.

NOW, DEAR GOD, NOW BEFORE I DOUGHT - AND CRY
MY DISBELIEF UPON THE TREMBLING MOUNTAINS
OR BESIDE THE QUIETED TORRENTS
WHERE ONCE HE WALKED
AND PRAYED TO THEE

NOW, OH FATHER OF MY TURTURED SON,
TAKE THIS LIFE,
THIS EMPTIED, HOLLOWED VESSEL OF THY IMMENSITY
TAKE THIS LIFE OF MINE,
AND BRING ME TO HIM AGAIN.
J. WARREN MAYES

### THE FIRST ELEGY

WHO, IF I CRIED, WOULD HEAR ME AMONG THE ANGELIC ORDERS? AND EVEN IF ONE OF THEM SUDDENLY PRESSED ME AGAINST HIS HEART, I SHOULD FADE IN THE STRENGTH OF HIS STONGER EXISTANCE. FOR BEAUTY'S NOTHING BUT BEGINNING OF TERROR WE STILL JUST ABLE TO BEAR, AND WHY WE ADORE IT SO IS BECAUSE IT SERENELY
DISDAINS TO DESTROY US. EACH SINGLE ANGEL IS TERRIBLE.
AND SO I KEEP DOWN MY HEART, AND SWALLOW THE CALL-NOTE
OF DEPTH-DARK SOBBING. ALAS, WHO IS THERE
WE CAN MAKE USE OF ? NOT ANGELS, NOT MEN;
AND ALREADY THE KNOWING BRUITS ARE AWARE
THAT WE DON'T FEEL VERY SECURELY AT HOME WITHIN OUR INTERPRETED WURLD . THERE REMAINS, PERHAPS, SOME TREE ON A SLOPE, TO BE LOOKED AT DAY AFTER DAY,
THERE REMAINS FOR US YESTERDAY'S WALK AND THE CUPBUARD-LOVE LOYALTY OF A HABIT THAT LIKED US AND STAYED AND NEVER GAVE NOTICE. OH, AND THERE'S NIGHT, THERE'S NIGHT, WHEN WIND FULL OF COSMIC

FEEDS ON OUR FACES: FOR WHOM WOULD SHE NOT REMAIN, LONGED FOR, MILID DISENCHANTRESS, PAINFULLY THERE FOR THE LONELY HEART TO ACHIEVE? IS SHE LIGHTER FOR LOVERS? ALAS, WITH EACHOTHER THEY ONLY CONCEAL THEIR LOT! DON'T YOU KNOW YET? — FLING THE EMPTINESS OUT OF YOUR ARMS INTO THE SPACE WE BREATHE. MAYBE THAT THE BIRDS WILL FEEL THE EXTENTED AIR IN MORE INTIMATE FLIGHT.

YES, THE SPRINGS HAD NEED OF YOU. MANY A STAR WAS WAITING FOR YOU TO ESPY IT. MANY A WAVE WOULD RISE ON THE PAST TOWARDS YOU; OR, ELSE, PERHAPS AS YOU WENT BY AN OPEN WINDOW, A VIOLIN AS YOU WENT BY AN OPEN WINDOW, A VIOLIN WOULD BE GIVING ITSELF TO SOMEONE. ALL THIS WAS A TRUST. BUT WERE YOU EQUIL TO IT? WERE YOU NOT ALWAYS DISTRACTED BY EXPECTATION, AS THOUGH ALL THIS
WERE ANNOUNCING SOMEONE TO LOVE? (AS IF YOU COULD HOPE
TO CONCEAL HER, WITH ALL THOSE GREAT STRANGE THOUGHTS
GOING IN AND OUT AND OFTEN STAVING OVERNIGHT!)
NO, WHEN LONGING COMES OVER YOU, SING THE GREAT LOVERS: THE FAME
OF ALL THEY CAN FEEL IS FAR FROM IMMORTAL ENOUGH.
THOSE WHOM YOU ALMOST ENOUGH THOSE EXPRONENT YOU EQUALD THOSE WHOM YOU ALMOST ENVIED, THOSE FORSAKEN, YOU FOUND SO FAR BEYOND THE REQUITED IN LOVING. BEGIN SO FAR BEYOND THE REQUITED IN LOVING. BEGIN EVER ANEW THEIR NEVER ATTAINABLE PRAISE.

CONSIDER: THE HERO CONTINUES, EVEN HIS FALL

WAS A PRETEXT FOR FURTHER EXISTANCE, AN ULTIMATE BIRTH.

BUT LOVERS ARE TAKEN ABACK BY EXHAUSTED NATURE

INTO HERSELF, AS THOUGH SUCH CREATIVE FORCE

COULD NEVER BE RE-EXERTED, HAVE YOU SO FULLY REMEMBERED

GASPARA STAMPA, THAT ANY GIRL, WHOSE BELOVED'S

ELUDED HER, MAY FEEL, FROM THAT FAR INTENSER

EXAMPLE OF LOVING: "IF I COULD BECOME LIKE HER!"?

OUGHT NOT THESE OLDEST SUFFERINGS OF OURS BE YIELDING
MORE FRUIT BY NOW? IS IT NOT TIME THAT, IN LOVING,

WE FREED OURSELVES FROM THE LOVED ONE, AND, QUIVERING, ENDURED:

AS THE ARROW ENDURES THE STRING, TO BECOME, IN THE GATHERING
OUT-LEAP OUT-LEAP SOMETHING MORE THAN ITSELF? FOR STAYING IS NOWHERE.

VOICES, VOICES. HEAR, O MY HEART, AS ONLY SAINTS HAVE HEARD: HEARD TILL THE GIANT-CALL LIFTED THEM OFF THE GROUND; VET THEY WENT IMPOSSIBLY ON WITH THEIR KNEELING, IN UNDISTRACTED ATTENTION:

SO INHERENTLY HEARERS. NOT THAT YOU COULD ENDURE
THE VOICE OF GOD --FAR FROM IT. BUT HARK TO THE SUSPIRATION,
THE UNITERRUPTED NEWS THAT GROWS OUT OF SILENCE.

RUSTLING TOWARDS YOU NOW FROM THOSE YOUTHFULLY - DEAD,
WHENEVER YOU ENTERED A CHURCH IN ROME OR NAPLES
WERE YOU NOT ALWAYS BEING QUIETLY ADDRESSED BY THEIR FATE?

OR ELSE AN INSCRIPTION SUBLIMELY IMPOSED ITSELF UPON YOU,
AS, LATELY, THE TABLET IN SANTA MARIA FORMOSA.

WHAT THEY REQUITE OF ME? I MUST GENTLY REMORE THE APPEARANCE
OF SUFFERED INJUSTICE, THAT HINDERS
A LITTLE, AT TIMES, THEIR PURELY-PROCEEDING SPIRITS.

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TRUE, IT IS STRANGE TO INHABIT THE EARTH NO LONGER,
TO USE NO LONGER CUSTOMS SCARCELY AQUIREID,
NOT TO INTERPRET ROSES, AND OTHER THINGS
THAT PROMISE SO MUCH, IN TERMS OF A HUMAN FUTURE;
TO BE NO LONGER ALL THAT ONE USED TO BE
IN ENDLESSLY ANXIOUS HANDS, AND TO LAY ASIDE
EVEN ONE'S PROPER NAME LIKE A BROKEN TOY.
STRANGE, NOT TO GO ON WISHING ONE'S WISHES. STRANGE,
TO SEE ALL THAT WAS ONCE RELATION SO LOOSELY FLUTTERINGHITHER AND THITHER IN SPACE. AND IT'S HARD, BEING DEAD,
AND FULL OF RETRIEVING BEFORE ONE BEGINS TO ESPY
A TRACE OF ETERNITY. YES, BUT ALL OF THE LIVINGMAKE THE MISTAKE OF DRAWING TOO SHARP DISTINCTIONS.
ANGELS, (THEY SAY) ARE OFTEN UNABLE TO TELL
WHETHER THEY MOVE AMONG THE LIVING OR DEAD. THE ETERNAL
TORRENT WHIRLS ALL THE AGES THROUGH EITHER REALM
FOREVER, AND SOUNDS ABOVE THEIR VOICES IN BOTH.

THEY'VE FINALLY NO NEED OF US, THE EARLY DEPARTED,
ONE'S GENTLY WEANED FROM TERRESTRIAL THINGS AS ONE MILDLY
OUTGROWS THE BREAST OF A MOTHER BUT WE, THAT HAVE NEED OF
SUCH MIGHTY SECRETS, WE, FOR WHOM SORROW'S SO OFTEN
SOURCE OF BLESSEDEST PROGRESS, COULD WE EXIST WITHOUT THEM?
IS THE STORY IN VAIN, HOW ONCE, IN THE MOURNING FOR LINDS,
VENTURING EARLIEST MUSIC PIERCED BARREN NUMBRIESS, AND HOW,
IN THE HORRIFIED SPACE AN ALMOST DEIFIED YOUTH
SUDDENLY QUITTED FOREVER, EMPTINESS FIRST
FELT THE VIBRATION THAT NOW CHARMS US AND COMFORTS AND HELPS?

RAINER MARIA RILKE

CAMUS

"IN THE DREAM OF LIFE IS MAN WHO FINDS
HIS TRUTHS AND LOSES THEM, ON DEATH'S EARTH,
IN ORDER TO RETURN THROUGH WARS, CLAMOR,
THE PASSION FOR JUSTICE AND LOVE, THROUGH
SUFFERING TOO, TOWARD THAT PEACEFUL
LAND WHERE DEATH ITSELF IS A HAPPY
SILENCE."

"IN THE MIDST OF
WINTER, I FINALLY
LEARNED THAT THERE WAS
IN ME AN
INVINCIBLE SUMMER!